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LOCAL NOTICES.

Daily Prayer Meeting

From 12 M. to 1 P. M., at the Methodist Church, Fifth street, next to the Custom office.

Astonishment.

A gentleman, whose profession brought him into daily contact with circles of both sexes, was not a little astonished to find himself the recipient of his favors and offices at different times. He was in great doubt for the cause, knowing his modest powers and wishes were not in accordance to call out, when, one morning last week, he received a note, which, after he had managed to rub that he's breath was some of the sweetest smelling, he proceeded to get a bottle of WAHL'S FLUID AND POWDERED DENTIFRICE, a fashionable and retail by Joseph Fleming, No. 69 Market street, and all druggists.

MERCHANTS AND SHIPPERS see card of Todd's Canal Boats House.

Artificial Flowers.

Flowers, Wreaths, &c., a fine assortment, for sale cheap at 67 Fifth street. Ladies and Society will find it to their interest by calling and examining before purchasing elsewhere. Also, Feathers, Velvets & Fringes, Auction Room No. 80 Fifth street.

Cheapest House in the City.

For pure White Lead;
For Linseed Oil;
For Turpentine;
For Copal Varnish;
For Colored Varnish;
For new circulars in the Paint or Drug line in M'Clintock & M'Kelvey's Drug Store, 66 Market street, cornet Diamond, near Fifth street.

The Beautiful

Florence Sewing Machine, Salesroom, No. 19 St. Clair street.

Bargains.

At J. R. & A. Marshall's, 151 Smithfield street, cor. Diamond.

Remember It Is to Your Interest

To get your Drugs, Patent Medicines, Medicinal Preparations, Perfumery at W. CURRIE & R. KERR'S Drug Store, 66 Market street.

Havana Tobacco.

THE New York State, Connecticut Leaf Tobacco, Depot of Julius Allen, 122 Water street, New York; Warehouse, Exhibition Rooms, corner Wood street and Diamond, near Fifth avenue, Pittsburgh.

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NEWS SUMMARY.

BY TELEGRAPH.

The ship Golconda sailed from Savannah on Wednesday with four hundred and forty-six negroes for Liberia.

The official majority for the Georgia constitution is 17,609.

The charter election in Ogdensburg, N. Y., on Wednesday, was carried by the Republicans. C. Brown was chosen Mayor.

A mass meeting in Lawrence, Kansas, on Wednesday night, unanimously passed resolutions demanding the immediate conviction and removal of President Johnson, and denouncing with political and social excoriation such Republican Senators as shall fail to vote for conviction.

A motion was made in the United States Court at Brooklyn, yesterday, to admit to bail John C. Beanie, ex-Confederate Naval officer, charged with complicity in the case of the steamer Chesapeake in 1865, and killing an officer on board. The case was argued, but no decision given.

Miss Janauschek, the tragedienne, sailed for Europe yesterday.

Eighteen hogsheads of plug tobacco shipped from Virginia in barrels of peanuts were seized in New York yesterday.

A serious riot occurred Wednesday afternoon among the laborers on the extension of Eighth avenue at Forty-first street, New York. The rioters were dispersed by the police and the ringleader will be arrested.

The American and United States Express Companies announce dividends of two per cent. The Merchants' Union, it is said, will have to pass their dividend, owing to losses by robbery.

Two men named Barker and Miller were brought to Selma, Ala., on Wednesday, in irons by the military from Sumter county, charged with lynching the mayor-elect of Burns, who was killed in Mississippi county some weeks ago.

The Republican legislative caucus had twenty-one ballots at New Haven, Wednesday evening without any choice of a candidate for United States Senator. Last ballot, Buckingham fifty-nine, Hawley fifty-four, Bronson eighteen.

The Fenian brotherhood of Pennsylvania met in the Senate Committee rooms Harrisburg, yesterday. Forty-nine Circles were represented. Officers were elected, and a secret session of three hours was held. In the evening, a large and enthusiastic meeting took places.

The Mississippi Democratic Convention renominated Governor Humphreys by acclamation, L. Falconer for Lieutenant Governor, C. E. Hooper, for Attorney General, C. K. Marshall, for Superintendent of Immigration. Harmony prevailed. A mass meeting is announced for to-night. The nominees will address the meeting.

Joe Coburn, after his release from arrest in Cincinnati on Wednesday, proceeded to Latonia Springs, on the Kentucky side, where he will finish his training. It is understood that McCoole will not visit Cincinnati, but will soon locate himself in the vicinity of the battle ground.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Newport and Cincinnati Bridge Company, held on Wednesday, the Construction Committee was ordered to commence work on the abutments forthwith. The following officers were elected: Alfred Gauthier, President; A. T. Berry, Vice President; J. N. St. John, Engineer. The following Directors were also elected: H. J. King, Wm. Resor, Wm. Ringo, T. G. Garfield and C. H. Kilgour.

A man named Duggar, a saloon keeper, and two accomplices, were arrested in Monroe, yesterday morning, charged with being in the plot for the assassination of Mellon. The prisoners were examined before Judge Conrad, with doors closed. A witness testified to being present in Duggar's house in December last, when the conspiracy was hatched. Twelve American and twelve Canadian Fenians were also present. One person was selected by lot to do a certain job, witness could not say what job, but heard one of the men say, "My God, if Mellon only knew what we have in store for him, wouldn't he hang the country?" Witness also heard another man say, "Smith, you did that job of burning the Orange Lodge first rate." Witness has identified Wilson as the man he heard called Smith. The prisoners appear for Ottawa to-day in charge of officers.

General Emory will deliver an address, and General Charles G. Halpine an original poem, at the dedication of the soldiers' monument at Doylestown, Pa., on the 30th inst.

Charles M. Walnut, Sr., the well-known dramatist and actor, died in Philadelphia Wednesday night at the residence of his son.

The Grand Council of A. Y. M. have authorized a parade of that order at Lancaster, Pa., on the 15th of September.

Gen. Hector Tindale has consented to be a candidate for Mayor, of Philadelphia, on the Republican ticket.

A dispatch from Cheyenne, dated Wednesday, says: Generals Sherman, Augur and Terry, and Colonel Tappan, Indian Peace Commissioners, returned from Fort Laramie to-day, and report that they have concluded a treaty with the Crows, Brule Sioux, Northern Cheyennes and Arapahoes, all agreeing to keep the peace, and settle upon the reservation. Generals Harney and Sanborn, and A. S. White, Secretary of the Commission, remain at Fort Laramie. Generals Sanborn and Harney are arranging for the removal of a large party from Fort Laramie to the reservation on the Missouri. About one hundred Sioux, who joined the hostiles during the late depredation on the line of the Union Pacific Railroad, are still on the war path. Red Cloud sends a message that he and his warriors in the mountains are awaiting the arrival of the military posts, and when they are abandoned he will come to meet the Commissioners. General Augur goes to Fort Bridger to meet the Snakes and Shoshones, Sherman and Terry to New Mexico to meet the Navajoes, and Gen. Terry to Forts Randall and Sully to arrange for the reception and location of the Indians on the reservations.

At Fall River, Mass., yesterday, the cotton mill known as the White Mill, belonging to the Fall River Manufacturing Company, was totally destroyed by fire. The fire originated in the picker house, and is supposed to have been caused by the spontaneous combustion of oily waste. The building contained 9,000 spindles, about $15,000 worth of cotton, and $20,000 worth of cloth, which was destroyed. Loss about $120,000, of which $90,000 was insured.

Chas. E. Moss, writing from Washington to the American Anti-Slavery Society, in New York, says: General Grant has declared himself for universal suffrage, and maintains this must be the ruling idea of his administration if he is elected in 1868. He also reports General Grant as favor the conviction of the President.

At the annual meeting of the American Home Missionary Society in New York, on Wednesday, Rev. Thos. N. Woolsey was elected President.

The Central American Republics are tranquil. A malignant fever is bearing thousands of victims, prevails in Nicaragua. The South American news is unimportant.

The American Royal High e Association held its second anniversary in New York yesterday. Elizabeth Cady Stanton presided. Remarks were made by Susan B. Anthony, Henry Blackwell, Lucy Stone, Rev. Mr. Higginson, Frederick Douglass, and others. Letters were read from John Stewart Mill, Rev. Robert Collyer, of Chicago, and a daughter of Joshua R. Giddings. Resolutions were adopted favorable to the object of the Association, viz: Female suffrage.

The steamer Rising Star brings Panama dates to the 5th, and $1,170,222.

News from Australia to the 8th of April, gives details of the attempted assassination of Prince Alfred. A destructive fire occurred at Sydney. Mr. Holdsworth was the principal sufferer. Loss $200,000.

The American Bible Society celebrated its fifty-second anniversary in New York yesterday. The Treasurer's report shows the year's receipts to be $723,106; books printed 1,395,-367. Quite a number of interesting speeches were made. Including one by Ex-Governor Buckingham, of Connecticut.

The New York association of Universalists held its fortieth anniversary yesterday.

The steamer Caledonia, from Glasgow, arrived at New York yesterday.

The storm of Wednesday prostrated several unfinished buildings in New York city, Brooklyn and Hoboken. The Hoboken flats were submerged, and a large number of families compelled to seek more secure quarters, some barely escaping with their lives. The damage to trees, fences and awnings was quite extensive.

It is reported that Leverich, the absconding teller of the City Bank of New York, was not the only guilty party in connection with the defalcation. Some time since the bank officers are said to have discovered a conspiracy in which seven clerks were engaged, who, when detection became imminent, managed to throw the blame on Leverich. Two hundred thousand dollars of the stolen money has already been recovered.

The jury in the case of Enright and Allen, charged with frauds on the Government by means of fictitious bonds, returned a verdict of guilty, with recommendation to mercy.

The Committee appointed by the Fifth Avenue Hotel Hancock meeting to consult with Horatio Seymour, report that he is not, and under no circumstances will be, a candidate for the Presidency.

A Nashville dispatch says: Much interest continues to be manifested in the impeachment trial. The mass of the Republicans desire conviction, especially now comers. The Democrats desire conviction, though they believe conviction would benefit their cause.

The Soldiers and Sailors of the Sixth Congressional District of Missouri, in Convention at Kansas City, yesterday, elected twenty delegates and two at large to the Chicago Convention. In addition to declaring for Grant for President, the Convention passed the following resolution:

Resolved, That the delegates from the Sixth Congressional District to Soldiers and Sailors' Convention to assemble in Chicago on the 20th inst., are hereby instructed to cast the vote of this district in said Convention from and to vote against the nomination of any man for President or Vice President who will not support the Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates upon the charges for which he is now impeached.

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THE IMPEACHMENT CASE

THE SITUATION UNCHANGED.

Second and Eleventh Articles Certain.

CONDITION OF THE SICK SENATORS.

Investigation of Alleged Attempted Bribery.

Chief Justice Chase Favors Acquittal

Grant Looks for Trouble if the President is Acquitted.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 14, 1868.

No Change in Impeachment.

There is no great change to note to-night in the question of impeachment. The canvass of yesterday among Senators has been nearly completed to-day, and those who know its exact character are perfectly confident that the President will be convicted upon the second and eleventh articles. The count which secures this does not include Henderson. It is conceded that delay till Saturday has strengthened impeachment. While the President's friends profess perfect confidence, it is known that his lists do not show a majority, and that there is great trouble over the situation. Colonel Stokes, of the House, who is one of Mr. Fowler's most intimate friends, told his colleague this morning that he did not deem it certain that Mr. Fowler would vote acquittal on all the articles. He based his belief on the statement Fowler made to him, that no one had the least grounds for predicting his vote. All the rest of the Tennessee delegation think Fowler wholly gone over to the President.

The Sick Senators.

The condition of the sick Senators has become a very important element in the case. It seems very doubtful whether any of the sick ones can be prevailed on to vote. Grimes may possibly be able to attend. Mr. Grimes remains about as last evening, though his friends are not without apprehension as to the final result. Mr. Howard is on the whole a little better, but very weak. Senator Morton is able to be out. A second postponement may become necessary, though a majority are very anxious to have the vote taken.

Attempted Bribery of Senators.

The Managers have been in session to-day examining witnesses under oath, regarding certain alleged attempts on the part of the President's friends to influence Senators by improper means. One of the witnesses summoned was a member of the President's household, and another a citizen here who was supposed to have some knowledge of the use of money in the case.

The Chief Justice Laboring for Acquittal.

It is conceded to-day, even among the friends of the Chief Justice, that he is using his influence in favor of acquittal. The stories regarding the numerous caucuses at his house of doubtful Senators have very little foundation if any.

Disgust at Grant's Headquarters.

An officer of high rank and one who should know considerable of Grant's mind, as he speaks, says to-day that General Grant is looking for serious trouble in case Johnson is acquitted. It can be stated positively that there is great disgust at Grant's headquarters at the conduct of those Republicans who have continued to defeat impeachment.

Admission of Southern States.

The House was entirely occupied to-day with the bill to admit Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Florida and Arkansas to full and complete representation in Congress. The debate was without interest. The most important amendment offered was that of Mr. Woodbridge to strike out Alabama for the reason that the new constitution of that State has not been adopted by a majority vote. The proposition was lost by yeas 39, nays 78. The Republicans who voted in the affirmative were Ashley of Nevada, Baker, Baldwin, Blair, Coburn, Terry, Hawkins, Higby, Hopkins, Ingersoll, Jenckes, Julian, Kasson, Lawrence, of Penn.; Lean, Marvin, Myers, Pomeroy, Sawyer, Stewart, Ward, Washburn, of Mass.; Woodbridge—24. The bill was finally passed by a strict party vote, except that Kasson, Baker and Williams, of Penn., Republicans, voted in the negative.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 14, 1868.

LETTER FROM SENATOR HENDERSON TO THE MISSOURI DELEGATION.

Senator Henderson has addressed the following letter to the Missouri Congressional delegation:

WASHINGTON CITY, May 14, 1868.

GENTLEMEN:—On my return to this city I find that the Democratic State Convention of Missouri has appointed delegates to the Chicago Convention, and has instructed them to cast the vote of the State for Chief Justice Chase for President. I suppose that my position as one of the Senators of Missouri is well known to you, and that I am supposed to be in favor of the nomination of Chief Justice Chase for President. I am not a candidate for the Presidency, and have no desire to be. I am not in favor of the nomination of Chief Justice Chase for President

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FRIDAY, MAY 15, 1868.

THE COMMERCIAL is the largest daily paper in the State, and gives daily one-fourth more reading than any other paper in Pittsburgh. It is the only Pittsburgh paper that uses the telegraph liberally, gives full market reports, and all the news of the day.

As proof of the estimate placed on the market reports of the COMMERCIAL, we will state that they are regularly copied by the New York Economist, Shipping List, Iron Age, and other papers of this character in that and other cities, and that leading English commercial papers and circulars regularly reprint them with credit. There is within five hundred miles, hardly an Iron Factory, Oil Refinery, or leading manufactory of any kind that is not a subscriber to the COMMERCIAL, principally, because its reports are the only full and reliable given of the Pittsburgh markets.

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Our friends everywhere are requested to act as agents. Address,

COMMERCIAL, Pittsburgh.

On the third page to-day will be found the speech of Senator Wilson, giving his reasons why the President should be convicted.

It is understood that Mr. STANTON will resign at once in case the President is acquitted; and that in any event his wish is to be permitted to leave the War Department at as early a day as possible.

THE impeachment prospect did not materially change yesterday; if anything, the prospect of conviction improved. Another adjournment, owing to the illness of Senators, is not improbable, and the question may be postponed till after the Chicago Convention. The expression of public sentiment, for which the adjournment on Tuesday gave an opportunity, has strengthened the prospect of conviction.

MR. WARD is bestowing his advice on Senators in the most disinterested manner. Here is a specimen:

> Senators Anthony, Frelinghuysen, Wilson, Patterson, of New Hampshire, and the Vermont Senators can all afford to act as they please, and if they do so, they will live to regret it. You gave this advice long years ago to Senator Buchanan, and he was almost to vote for the removal of Dr. WEBSTER from the office of Comptroller of the Treasury. He lacked the courage to do right, and broke him the Executive's back.

Let the Senators named follow MR. WARD's advice, and not one of them will hold his place longer than the people can get at him. There was a time when MR. WARD knew what public sentiment was.

"There is a high court, and we are bound by our oaths to find according to the law and the fact," say Messrs. FESSENDEN, GRIMES and TRUMBULL, and they say correctly. But the trouble with them—if common fame does not belie them—is, they did not so act, and permitted outside considerations to sway them; took counsel of their prejudices; listened to the proposition to form a new party, and framed their verdict far less in accordance with the law and the fact than from considerations totally foreign to the case. It would indeed be a sad thing were the American people, forgetting what is due to their courts, to attempt to overawe their action or the action of any one of them—but it is not less sad to witness Senators, sitting at once as judges and jurors, act as scheming politicians. Few who have a proper regard for what is due to the position which men occupy would feel disposed to denounce a Senator for adhering rigidly to his convictions, unswayed by motives foreign to the case; but the denunciation of those who have cast down that high standard of action and raised another, be it of expediency, personal aggrandizement or of prejudice, will become as general as is the detestation for such motives.

> The Conservative journals, including the COMMERCIAL of this city, coincide that if MR. WADE was "out of the way" the impeachment of the President would vanish.—*Pittsburgh Gazette.*

Our oracular neighbor knows to a dot what constitutes a "Conservative" journal, in which class it is graciously pleased to rank the COMMERCIAL. Now in order to show what are "the Conservative journals, including the COMMERCIAL of this city," we quote the following from our exchanges at this instant lying before us:

> [From Forney's Washington Chronicle.]
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> It is useless to close our eyes to the fact that the Chief Justice has permitted himself to be used by the Republican party and to defeat the impeachment of the President. It is useless to deny that he has been misled by those Senators whose personal and political hostility to the President is notorious. The course of C. J. WADE, has been wrong; that there can be no question. He has gone out of his way to do what he was not required to do, and what he was not even expected to do. Practical lawyers would welcome the delegation of the duty to him.
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> [From the Philadelphia Gazette.]
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> On the other hand, the Bank of the United States are just as unequivocal in their belief that Johnson deserved conviction. He made nefarious disbursements of the public money, and he violated the law by assigning illegal occupants to positions which were previously filled by men who had been most active in the service of the country. What Wade, who would become President in case of Johnson's removal, thinks of the Republican side unaffected by their personal hostility, or by some other motive, is not known. He has given the fullest information about voting for conviction.
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> [From the Missouri Democrat.]
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> The object of the conservative organs seems to be to force Mr. Wade to resign before the removal of Mr. Johnson. How noble-minded Speaker Colfax is!—*Boston Post.*
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> [From the Cincinnati Gazette.]
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> We but express the common conviction of both parties, when we say that if the process of Johnson for mal-administration were not complicated by the fact that the same act constitutes the transfer to the President for corrupt purposes of the money which he is accused, if not guilty, misdemeanors for the removal of which he is impeached—that is, by the fact that the bribe of any Senator to compel him for this misdemeanor to act contrary to the country, and of official perjury.

It would not be difficult to give a column of just such quotations to the same import. The reader will make his own comment.

RIGHT AHEAD.

We have been struck with the courage and tone of the editorials in many leading Republican journals, written under the impression that the verdict will be the acquittal of the President. With one or two exceptions only, they have not thought it best to say anything to aggravate the situation; on the contrary, turning from disappointment which some may have thought would prove disheartening, they have looked the future squarely in the face and sounded the rally. Nowhere have we met a single word written under the impression that the Republican party had sustained an injury from which it will be difficult to recover—much less been broken up. If men—Senators even—have failed of their duty, the course of wisdom is to press on all the more determinedly in the performance of our own. The Boston *Advertiser* puts this view of the case clearly before Republicans, as follows:

> We now regain the position at which they were when their leaders are not subject to such influences as now disgrace the Senate. It is not to be supposed that the judgments of other courts, in which the accused is not a party to the proceedings, will also be moved in sometimes inexplicable manner that is to be attributed to the life of the accused. However it may be, however important it may be that the Republican party should be overwhelmed by the disgrace of unfaithfulness to its trust, there is nothing approaching to the life of the republic. There will succeed to the thought that acquittal will be equivalent to the overthrow of the party, attack as impossible. The party which has done so much for the country will not be destroyed by the baseness of a few of its members. What happened to the Democratic party when it was overwhelmed by the disgrace of the Buchanan administration? It was not destroyed, but it was purified, and it became a better party than it was before the disgrace came upon it. What the party ought to be and must be is plain enough. It must be a party of principle, and not of mere personal ambition.

CAUGHT IN THEIR OWN NET.

During the present session, the Legislature of Ohio has passed what is called the "Visible Admixture Bill," which disenfranchises all persons having a visible admixture of African blood. The passage of this act was almost the leading sectional measure of the Democratic Legislature. Under its provisions a voter may be asked who is his father; and as that sometimes is a very difficult question to answer, voters may be subjected to insult at the ballot box by persons wishing to disenfranchise opponents.

Amongst those who lent their aid to pass this objectionable measure into a law, is Dr. T. H. DICKINSON, one of the reputed candidates for Stark county, and the Republicans, believing it perfectly fair to apply the test to a professedly sound Democrat, intend to ask the honorable gentleman who is his father? Already rumors are in circulation that the Democrat from Stark county, who lent his aid to disgrace humanity by the passing of the most abominable law in existence in that State, cannot satisfactorily answer the question. If the Doctor should fall into the pit that he helped to dig for others, who will lament? The old proverb has it, "what is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander," and if the State representative for "Mollie Stark" cannot say who is his father, he must be content to slide with those of "visible admixture" into the class of nonentities.

A Driving Road from the City to the Suburbs.

We have on several occasions endeavored to point out the advantages which would accrue to this city, as a center of business and as a corporation, from a thorough and systematic improvement of her streets and avenues. It is not pleasant to acknowledge that Pittsburgh is behind many less populous and less wealthy cities in regard to sewerage, streets, parks, municipal buildings, and other public improvements, which not only give character abroad, but insure growth and prosperity at home. Yet such is the fact. Pittsburghers who visit other cities know how far behind we are in these respects, and feel that we are losing not only reputation, but money, by our want of enterprise. We are making rapid and gratifying progress in wealth and population, but we are not stimulating and encouraging improvements as we should. A little more enterprise infused into our municipal government, and more public spirit on the part of our people generally, would work vastly to our advantage. We are too fond of adhering to old customs, and jogging along as our fathers jogged; and we are too slow in adopting those improvements which have so largely benefitted other cities, and will equally benefit us. It has often been remarked that Pittsburgh is the worst paved city in the Union; but, while it is not necessary to admit this, we must confess that our streets are far from being what they should. There are many improvements to be made in regard to our principal thoroughfares, but the most pressing want at present is a safe and comfortable drive from the city, between the rivers, and we are glad to learn that there is a fair prospect of this want being supplied within the next eighteen months. A project is now being entertained by a number of our most enterprising and influential citizens, for the laying of a continuous line of Nicolson pavement from the suburbs of the Court House to Barker's Hotel, a distance of five miles—or possibly to the city line, near Homewood, a distance of six and a half miles. If the city will give a fair price for the franchises of the Pittsburgh Farmers and Mechanics' Turnpike Company, and take control of the turnpike, with a view to having the Nicolson pavement laid thereon, connecting with a similar pavement either on Pennsylvania avenue or Forbes street, it is believed that seven-eighths of the stockholders would donate the proceeds towards defraying the cost of the improvement. The project, although in a crude state as to details, embraces these propositions. The property owners immediately along the thoroughfare will defray one-third the expense—one-sixth being assessed on the property on either side. The property owners on intersecting roads, who will be benefitted by the improvement, will be assessed another third, leaving the city to provide the balance. The Turnpike Company during the past two and a half years, have paid $85,000 on the road, and a large annual expenditure will be required to maintain it in its present good condition. Should the stockholders give to the city the sum which may be agreed upon as compensation for the road, it would materially reduce the amount for which the city would be liable in making the improvement. The cost of five miles of Nicolson pavement, sixty feet wide, with wooden curbing, is estimated at about $300,000. Considering the advantages, the improvement would be cheap at $300,000. Property accessible to the thoroughfare would double and treble in value; building would be stimulated to an extraordinary degree, and the revenues from taxation for city, county and State purposes would be largely enhanced. There could be no draw-gate of the city equal to this, because there would be no bridges to cross and no locomotives or railroad tracks to encounter on the way. In addition to this, the population is tending in this direction, and with proper legislation in regard to the opening of new streets and the paving of those already opened, the townships of Oakland and Liberty will are bound to be thickly populated. The enterprise is in the hands of a gentleman competent to make it successful, and if money and influence can accomplish the work it will be done within the next two years. The opening of such a magnificent thoroughfare, with gas and water facilities along the entire course, would make a new era in the history of Pittsburgh.

> A CIRCULAR informs us that at a "Convention of Laborers, Farmers, Mechanics and ex-soldiers, held in Pfeuts's Valley, Perry county, Pennsylvania, on the 23d of April, 1868," Dr. R. A. Simpson, of Liverpool, Pa., was nominated with "intense enthusiasm" for President of the United States "on the Higher Law platform (for we trust in the Living God)," and R. D. Eldrige, Esq., of Baltimore, Md., for Vice President. We are also informed that Benj. Long and others made able speeches on christian statesmanship. Mr. Long concluding his remarks as follows: "Our cause is the Lord Jesus Christ's, and if we cleave to Him wicked men will fall like the walls of Jericho, when they blow the seven trumpets of ram's horns."—*Ibid.*

> FROM A New York letter.
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> The European steamships must be reaping a rich harvest from the Irish exodus. The City Item says, which arrived this morning, brings 1,000; the Cunarder, from Liverpool, 1,200; and the Inman steamer, to-day, is said to have 800 or 900. The sailing vessels themselves also advertise with the Irish agents for the Irish trade. The Inman line advertises as aggregate for the one not far from three thousand.

The Baltimore steamship lines are scarcely less liberally patronized, and it appears to be an auspicious time for a movement on the part of Philadelphia for going into the business. It is not to be questioned that the managers of the Pennsylvania Central Company would make as liberal offers to establish a line for that city as the Baltimore and Ohio Company offered to the Baltimore line—if they were only asked to do so.

> THERE does not appear to be a great deal of agony in the country over impeachment. The placid condition of Wall street is something remarkable, and the price of gold does not betray the slightest concern whether the President is deposed or not. A New York letter says:
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> The postponement of the impeachment session till Saturday has set a feeling of considerable disgust in operation for a few days, as the case might be, in Congress and in Wall street. The stirred and excited communities, lukewarm of the new sentiment, have settled down into their usual active business and congenial speculation, and seem to care little one way or the other for the result. The acquittal party take the matter very quietly, and the same is true of the conviction party. The acquittal party is sanguine, and confident, and even the radical, newspapers, as of to-day, are not so bitter.

> It is suggested that Mr. SEWARD has an opportunity now of seeing what he described in his 23d of March speech, when he spoke as follows: "Let me see the servant who dares to tread back upon his steps and vote upon the other side. Front me out one who dares do it, and you show me one who dares to be regarded as infamous by posterity." It is hardly probable that MR. SEWARD himself conceived it possible that what he fancied might by a bare possibility occur, would soon be a part of the history of the country.

> THE State Central Committee met in Philadelphia on Tuesday, and after some preliminary arrangements, was fully organized for the campaign by the Chairman, Mr. Grow, appointing George W. Hammersly, Clerk of the State Senate, and J. B. McAfee, Esq., of Westmoreland, Secretaries of the Committee. These are excellent appointments, both gentlemen being well posted in the political affairs of the State.

> BISHOP PEARCE has so far recovered from his injuries as to be able to preside over the Episcopal Convention now in session in Philadelphia. It is expected that the agitated question of Ritualism will come up in the form of an effort to establish a Philadelphia "St. Alban," which, having been opposed by the Standing Committee, will, it is understood, be brought before the Convention.

> HON. JOHN COVODE will be supported for the Congressional nomination of the Republican party in the Twenty-first District. Mr. Covode will probably secure the votes of Indiana and Westmoreland counties, which would nominate him. Fayette county presents two candidates.

> THE Philadelphia *Ledger's* dispatch says there is "not one word of truth" in the report about Fessenden, Trumbull and other Senators having an interview with the President at which it was agreed that General Schofield should be appointed Secretary of War. What was the understanding, then?

> IT is thought that Col. Forney will probably be restored to the Secretaryship of the Senate through the influence of Senators Chandler and Republican Senators, who will oppose the acceptance of his resignation.

POLITICAL.

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The Chicago *Tribune* comments with moderation on the impeachment question. Referring to the criticism of a contemporary, it says:

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> It is suggested that Mr. SEWARD has an opportunity now of seeing what he described in his 23d of March speech, when he spoke as follows: "Let me see the servant who dares to tread back upon his steps and vote upon the other side. Front me out one who dares do it, and you show me one who dares to be regarded as infamous by posterity." It is hardly probable that MR. SEWARD himself conceived it possible that what he fancied might by a bare possibility occur, would soon be a part of the history of the country.

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THE NEW TAX BILL.

Comprehensive Abstract of its Provisions.

The object of the new tax bill, reported in the House by Gen. Schenck, is indicated by its title, namely:

"An act to reduce into one act and amend the laws relating to internal taxes."

The first part of the bill covers some sixty sections in regard to general matters. It changes the Internal Revenue Bureau into a Department, the chief officer of which is to be a Commissioner, whose annual salary is to be $5,000; the Assistant Commissioner, a salary of $4,000; six Deputy Commissioners, with a salary each of $3,000 per annum; a Solicitor, at a salary of $4,000, together with the requisite number of clerks and messengers. The Commissioner has power to appoint and remove all collectors, assessors, assistant assessors, supervisors of internal revenue, inspectors, gaugers, storekeepers, and other officers and clerks provided for in this act, and shall annually give bonds for the faithful performance of their duties as may be required by law. The Commissioner will be required to organize a system for the distribution of all business in the department, by establishing six divisions therein, to each of which shall be assigned such duties as relate to a particular class of subjects, as follows:

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A new class of officers is created, the same as now commanded by special Commissioner Wells two years ago, called Supervising Agents, one of whom is to be assigned to each Judicial District, whose duty it shall be, under instructions to superintend the general collection of the revenue, and also from time to time the manner in which business is transacted by the several officers. The Commissioner is invested with the power to rotate or change from time to time the assignments of the Supervising Agents, and storekeepers, whose duties are prescribed, and salaries fixed. The Commissioner defines the duties of assessors and assistant assessors, and the districts in which taxes shall be assessed; and also the duties of collectors of internal revenue and the method of the collection of taxes. Provision is made for the remission of taxes and distraint become necessary in order to insure the collection of the tax, together with the regulations for the conducting of suits, remission of taxes, and for compromising of taxes. This being done, provisions for attention to frauds and penalties and drawbacks, and for the refunding of taxes illegally or erroneously collected. The bill then proceeds to give several comprehensive and complete sections relating to the issue and cancellation of bonds. The fifth contains several miscellaneous provisions, including regards, in a complete manner, and under each separate department. In these respects the bill, like the whole of the bill, is carefully drawn, and is a complete system, which in fact characterizes the whole bill. The sixth of May is named as the day on which the special tax formerly known as licenses. The tax on gross receipts remains substantially as now, and the tax on sales remains unchanged. The rates are very generally advanced, although the tax on sales of real estate is reduced from one-half per cent. to one-quarter per cent. The tax on sales by auction is reduced from two per cent. to one per cent. The tax on sales of stocks, bonds, &c., is reduced from one-half per cent. to one-quarter per cent. Provision is retained in the system a commutation tax on sales of liquors, tobacco, &c., by retail dealers, and the bill contains nothing about fruit ponds.

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In this great trial imposed on the Senate by the Constitution of our country and the representatives of the people, I shall give whatever doubts have arisen to perplex or embarrass, to my country rather than to its Chief Magistrate, now arraigned as a violator of the Constitution, a violator of the laws, and a violator of his oath to faithfully execute the laws. I am not, I trust, unmindful of the gravity of the occasion, of the solemnity of my oath, nor of the obligation ever resting upon me to be just and fear not. I know that the vote I shall give in this great trial will be critically sharply in our age and in the ages to come. The President is on trial before the Senate; the Senate is on trial before the present age and before the coming ages. I intend to vote for the conviction of the President and for his removal from his high office, and to the judgment of the present and of the future upon my motives and my action. I propose to state with brevity the reason why I shall vote for the conviction of the President of the United States. The framers of the Constitution well knew the selective, grasping and aggressive nature of Executive power. They knew that for ages the contest had been to wrest, in the words of Daniel Webster, authority from the grasp of executive power, and that "our security was in our watchfulness of executive power." They knew that the champions of human freedom in the Old World, though often baffled, had struggled for generations to limit and restrain executive power. They sought to make the executive power of the nation useful to the country, but not dangerous to the liberties of the people. The gave to the President a short term of office, and clothed their representatives of the people with power to arraign him before the Senate, not only for high crimes, but for high misdemeanors. Jealous of power, the framers of the Constitution gave the House of Representatives, a body representing the interests, the sentiments, the opinions of the people, and their passions, too, complete authority to arraign the Chief Magistrate of the nation before the tribunal of the Senate. They clothed the Senate of the United States, composed of gentlemen quite as liable as the members of the House of Representatives to be influenced by the interests, the opinions, the sentiments and the passions of the people, with power to try, convict and remove the President, not only for the commission of high crimes, but for high misdemeanors. High misdemeanors may or may not be violations of the laws. High misdemeanors may, in my judgment, be misbehavior in office detrimental to the interests of the nation, or dishonoring to the government. I entertain the convictions that the framers of the Constitution intended to impose the high duty upon the House of Representatives to arraign the Chief Magistrate for such misbehavior in office as endangered the nation, and to impose upon the Senate the duty of trying, of convicting, and removing the Chief Magistrate proved guilty of such behavior; believing this to be the intention of the framers of the Constitution and its true meaning; believing that the power should be exercised whenever the security of the country and the liberties of the people imperatively demand it, and believing by the evidence adduced to prove the charges of violating the Constitution and the tenure-of-office act, and the confessed and justified acts of the President, that he is guilty of high misdemeanors, I unhesitatingly render to his conviction and removal from his high office. The President is charged by the House of Representatives with violation of the Constitution and the tenure-of-office act in removing Mr. Stanton from the office of Secretary of War, and in appointing Adjutant General Thomas Secretary of War ad interim. The removal of Mr. Stanton, and the appointment of Adjutant General Thomas, and the violation of the tenure-of-office act. If Mr. Stanton be within that act, stand confessed and justified in the answer of the President to the charges of the House of Representatives. The answer of the President, without any other evidence, is to my mind conclusive evidence of his guilt. From his answer, confession, assumptions and justifications, I have no hesitation to record my vote of "Guilty." The assumptions of power put forth by the President in his defence, cannot but startle and alarm all men who would maintain the just powers of all branches of the government. 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COMMITTED FOR COURT.

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[Before Alderman M'Master.]

REED TO ANSWER.

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The CLERK read the minutes of the previous session, which were approved.

PETITIONS.

Mr. BROWN presented a petition from citizens of the Second ward, praying for a water pipe on Warner's alley. Referred to Water Committee.

Mr. HALL, a petition for the opening of Fayette street, and he have the same graded and paved from Bidwell street to Allegheny avenue. Referred to the Street Committee.

Mr. MOTHERAL, a petition for the grading and paving of Sedgwick street. Referred to Street Committee.

Mr. RIDDLE, a petition for water pipe on Lane alley. Referred to the Street Committee.

Mr. A. D. SMITH, a petition for grading and paving of spring alley. Referred to the Street Committee.

Mr. MYLER, a petition for change of grade on Fairmont street. Referred to the City Engineer in report.

THE FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH.

Mr. CALLERY offered the following:

Resolved, That the Fire Alarm Telegraph be extended to the Eighth ward, and Duquesne borough.

Referred to the Committee on Fire Engines.

THE INSURANCE ON CITY PROPERTY.

Mr. HARTMAN presented a communication from Capt. James Gordon relative to the action of the Finance Committee on City Property in placing the insurance on the Market House and City Hall, and alleging that the risks had not been taken by the companies offering to insure at the lowest rates.

The communication was laid on the table.

WATER PIPE.

Mr. A. D. SMITH presented a petition for water pipe on Penn and Simpson streets referred to the Water Committee.

THE ENCROACHMENT ON THE BED OF THE RIVER.

Mr. A. D. SMITH presented a communication from Mr. C. Zug, relative to the complaint made of alleged encroachments on the bed of the river, which was referred to, by deputation, etc. Mr. Zug states that there need be no obligation, as he will, as soon as possible, remove any encroachments, and confirm to the Commissioners' lines.

The communication was accompanied by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Wharves and Landings be and they are hereby instructed to withdraw all proceedings instituted against Christopher Zug for encroachments on the bed of the river, and that the City Solicitor be instructed to enter the same upon the docket.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Wharves and Landings, with power to act. Common Council non-concurred and laid the communication on the table.

REPORT OF THE STREET COMMITTEE.

Mr. MYLER, from the Committee on Streets, presented the report of that Committee, which is as follows:

To the Honorable the Select and Common Councils of the City of Allegheny:

GENTLEMEN: Your Committee on Streets desire to report that they have examined the petition of Thomas Bidwell, Elijah and Richard Bidwell, and others, praying for the opening of Fayette street, from Bidwell street to Allegheny avenue, and have agreed to report favorably thereon, and recommend the passage of the accompanying ordinance.

Your Committee have examined the petition of Wm. Ferguson and others, praying for the grading and paving of Sedgwick street, and have agreed to report favorably thereon, and recommend the passage of the accompanying ordinance.

Your Committee have examined the petition of Mr. E. B. Moore, and others, praying for the grading and paving of Spring alley, and have agreed to report favorably thereon, and recommend the passage of the accompanying ordinance.

Your Committee have examined the petition of Mr. Wm. Ferguson